

**LICENSES AND CONSUMER SERVICES  
LICENSE INSEPECTOR'S REPORT**

**LICENSE NUMBER:** L216-50153      **POLICE FILE NUMBER:** 13423

**DATE OF APPLICATION:** 7/31/2013

**INSPECTOR:** Phil Schliesman

**APPLICANT/LEGAL ENTITY:** Blue Plate Restaurant Co., Inc.

**DBA/TRADE NAME:** Loose Wiles Freehouse

**COMPLETE ADDRESS:** 701 Washington Avenue North Suite 101

**LICENSE REQUESTED:** On-Sale Liquor Class E with Sunday  
Sales/Brewpub and Off Sale Malt  
Liquor/Growler

**CURRENT LICENSE:** None

**RESPONSIBLE PERSON WITHIN 75 MILES OF MINNEAPOLIS CITY HALL:**  
David Burley

**PUBLIC HEARING REQUIREMENTS:** Required

**LICENSE CONDITIONS:** None

**NEIGHBORHOOD/WARD:** North Loop/5

**ZONING:** B4N/Downtown Parking District

**7 ACRE REQUIREMENT:** This has been met.

**OFF-STREET PARKING:** The Minneapolis Zoning Department does not  
require any additional off street parking

**CHURCHES OR SCHOOLS WITHIN 300 FEET OF THE PROPOSED PREMISES:** No

**SEATING:** Inside: 252 Seats      Outside: 118

**FIRE OCCUPANCY:** This number will be determined just before  
opening as there is major remodeling to the  
interior space.

**FOOD SERVICE REQUIREMENT:** 60/40 sales requirement

**HOURS OF OPERATION PROPOSED: INSIDE:** hours will be seven days a week from 6:00 am to 2:00 am. **OUTSIDE:** hours will be seven days a week 6:00 am to 12:00 am (Midnight)

**METROPOLITAN COUNCIL SERVICE AVAILABILITY CHARGES:** 29 SAC charges have been paid.

### **HISTORY OF LOCATION**

This location previously was an office/warehouse and has a heritage preservation designation for the exterior. There were no previous business licenses at this location.

### **APPLICANT**

Blue Plate Restaurant Company, Inc, DBA: Loose Wiles Freehouse, was incorporated under Charter 322A, File # 7S-762, on March 2, 1993. The company minutes contain the necessary restriction of the transfer of shares. The company lists the following individuals as the only two shareholders:

<b>Name</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Shares</b>
David Burley	CEO	50%
Stephanie Shimp	Vice-President	50%

The shareholders have extensive experience in the restaurant industry being owners of the Highland Grill, Groveland Tap, Edina Grill, Longfellow Grill, 3 Squares Restaruant, Scusi, and The Lowry, all located in the Twin Cities metro area.

### **MANAGER**

The primary on-site manager will be determined at a later date, prior to opening. The primary contact person is David Burley.

### **POLICE REVIEW**

Police Licensing and this Inspector have reviewed the expenses and source of funds reported in this application. The applicant has provided documentation showing adequate legal and traceable funding for this venture and has passed the criminal background check. On 8/19/2013, Lt. Dean Christiansen from the First Precinct of the Minneapolis Police Department discussed security issues with the applicant and signed off on the Security Plan Review.

### **PREMISES**

The premises consist of approximately 9,700 d-gross square feet with a net public area consisting of approximately 5,000 square feet. The main floor is at ground level and contains the restaurant area and most of the brewery area. There is a small portion of the basement that has been rented for use as office and dry storage space.

The indoor seating plan calls for seating for up to 252 guests at booths, tables and chairs and seating for up to 118 persons at tables and chairs in the outdoor seating area. The bar area contains a bar and bar seating and is located inside on the main floor. There is seating for 29 persons at the bar and seating at booths, tables and chairs for 59 guests. There is restaurant seating for up to 164 guests at booths, tables and chairs. Restrooms are located on the main floor.

### **BUSINESS/PLAN/OPERATIONS**

This establishment will have food available during operating hours and will operate as a full service, sit down restaurant. A full menu will be offered including a children's menu. No live entertainment will be offered. Beer will be brewed on site to be served on tap and also sold in growlers to take home. Service will be by wait-staff who will undergo alcohol server training by an approved service provider as a condition of their employment. Quarterly trainings and in-house training will be required.

The applicant will not offer mechanical amusement devices or charitable gambling on the premises. They are not planning on sponsoring any sports teams at this time.

The applicant will be posting signs asking their guests to "please respect our neighbors when leaving our establishment." Staff will be trained to report all noise or other types of complaints to management immediately. Management will then handle the complaints as needed following the companies training plan. Management will also patrol the parking lot after closing to assist in moving guests and others along who might be causing an issue. The ownership, general manager and other manager's telephone and emails will be made readily available for area residents or guests to provide feedback or register a complaint.

The lease requires the applicant to operate as a restaurant and brewpub and serve breakfast, lunch and dinner. If after the third year of the lease, the breakfast service is found to not be economically viable, the applicant may discontinue breakfast service. The lease also states the applicant is not allowed to cause any offensive loud noise which could constitute an unreasonable nuisance to any other tenant, occupant or other person, and in no event shall any noises or odors be emanated from the premises.

### **PUBLIC HEARING SUMMARY**

The public hearing notice was mailed to 29 residents and landlords within 300 feet of the establishment on 09/24/2013. The notice was posted and sent electronically to residents and building management at multi-unit buildings located at 618, 700, and 718 Washington Avenue North and 625 2<sup>nd</sup> Street North.

### **RECOMMENDATIONS**

The Licenses and Consumer Services Division recommends approving this application for an On-Sale Liquor license Class E with Sunday Sales.

### **LICENSE CONDITIONS**

There are no license conditions being placed on this license at this time.